Senate File 148 - Introduced

SENATE FILE 148 BY HOGG

A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act requiring a person who places a child of compulsory
- 2 attendance age under independent private instruction
- 3 or private instruction to file a report with the school
- 4 district of residence if the governor proclaims a public
- 5 health disaster emergency for the county.
- 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 299.4, Code 2021, is amended by adding 2 the following new subsection:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 3. If the governor proclaims a state of
- 4 public health disaster emergency pursuant to section 29C.6 for
- 5 the county in which independent private or private instruction
- 6 under chapter 299A is provided, the parent, guardian, or legal
- 7 custodian of a child who is of compulsory attendance age, who
- 8 placed the child under independent private instruction or
- 9 private instruction under chapter 299A, not in an accredited
- 10 school or a home school assistance program operated by a school
- 11 district or accredited nonpublic school, shall furnish to the
- 12 school district of residence, as soon as reasonably possible
- 13 and in the form and manner prescribed by the school district,
- 14 all of the information required for the report specified under
- 15 subsection 1.
- 16 Sec. 2. Section 299A.1, subsection 2, paragraph b,
- 17 subparagraph (6), Code 2021, is amended to read as follows:
- 18 (6) (a) Provides, upon written request from the
- 19 superintendent of the school district in which the independent
- 20 private instruction is provided, or from the director of the
- 21 department of education, a report identifying the primary
- 22 instructor, location, name of the authority responsible for the
- 23 independent private instruction, and the names of the students
- 24 enrolled.
- 25 (b) Provides, if the governor proclaims a state of
- 26 public health disaster emergency pursuant to section 29C.6
- 27 for the county in which the independent private instruction
- 28 is provided, a report from the parent, guardian, or legal
- 29 custodian of the child placed in independent private
- 30 instruction to the school district of residence in accordance
- 31 with section 299.4.
- Sec. 3. Section 299A.3, unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2021,
- 33 is amended to read as follows:
- 34 A Except as provided in section 299.4, subsection 3, a
- 35 parent, guardian, or legal custodian of a child of compulsory

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- $\ensuremath{\mathbf{1}}$ attendance age providing private instruction to the child may
- 2 meet all of the following requirements:
- 3 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 6 This bill requires, if the governor proclaims a state
- 7 of public health disaster emergency in a county in which
- 8 independent private or private instruction is provided, the
- 9 parent, guardian, or legal custodian who places a child in
- 10 independent private instruction or private instruction to
- 11 submit the same report to the school district of residence
- 12 that is required for a child placed in competent private
- 13 instruction.
- 14 The information must be furnished as soon as reasonably
- 15 possible and must include the name and age of the child, the
- 16 period of time during which the child has been or will be under
- 17 private instruction for the year, an outline of the course of
- 18 study, and the name and address of the instructor.
- 19 The first time such a report is filed by a person on behalf
- 20 of a child placed in independent private instruction or private
- 21 instruction, the person must also provide the district with
- 22 evidence that the child has had the immunizations required
- 23 under Code section 139A.8, and, if the child is elementary
- 24 school age, a blood lead test. The term "outline of course of
- 25 study" includes subjects covered, lesson plans, and time spent
- 26 on the areas of study.